GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR MINORITIES UNDER IAY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any specific resource allocation in terms of physical and financial targets for minorities under Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) on the lines of such allocations made for the SCs and STs;

(b) if so, the details of such allocations made for the minorities during the last three years and thereafter; and

(c) the procedure adopted for allocation of such funds to individuals and families of the minorities ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) to (b) It has been decided from October,2006 of the current year that 15 percent of physical and financial resources at the National Level will be earmarked under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) for BPL minorities and State-wise allocation has been made on the basis of ratio of their BPL minority population in respective States as given by the Ministry of Minority Affairs. Funds have been earmarked for the Minorities, for the first time, during the current financial year. For the current year, as per allocation, an amount of Rs. 581.20 crore has been earmarked for construction of 2.30 lakh houses for minorities. District-wise targets are to be decided by each State based on the concentration of Minorities in the districts or so.

(c) The beneficiaries are to be selected by the Gram Sabha as per the IAY guidelines.